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I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention

HIGH SPEED AND RELIABLE DETERMINATION OF LUMBER QUALITY USING GRAIN INFLUENCED **DISTORTION EFFECTS** 

the specification of which: is attached hereto

(or)

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim FOREIGN PRIORITY benefits under 35 USC 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the US, listed below and have also identified below, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. (\_\_\_ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS IDENTIFIED ON ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET)

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC 119(e) of any US PROVISIONAL application(s) listed below. (\_\_\_\_\_ ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS IDENTIFIED ON ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET)

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I hereby claim the (CONTINUATION) benefit under 35 USC 120 of any US application(s), or under 365(c) of any PCT application designating the US, listed below. (\_\_\_ ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS IDENTIFIED ON ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET)

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